

The Hon. Richard A. Jones

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

NO. CR18-132-RAJ

Plaintiff,

V.

MICHAEL SCOTT MORGAN JR., *et al.*,

**PROTECTIVE ORDER
RESTRAINING CERTAIN
FORFEITABLE PROPERTY**

Defendants.

THIS MATTER comes before the Court on the United States' Motion for Entry of a Protective Order Restraining Certain Forfeitable Property, as follows:

1. Approximately \$60,909.10 in U.S. currency, seized from Michael Scott Morgan Jr. on or about June 6, 2018, from a residence in Brier, Washington; and
2. Approximately \$6,772 in U.S. currency, seized from Michael Scott Morgan Jr. on or about June 6, 2018, in Bellevue, Washington

(collectively, the “Subject Property”).

The Court, having reviewed the papers and pleadings filed in this matter, hereby FINDS entry of a protective order restraining the Subject Property is appropriate because:

1 • The United States gave notice of its intent to pursue forfeiture in the
2 Indictment (Dkt. No. 1) and identified the Subject Property, specifically, in
3 the Superseding Indictment (Dkt. No. 277 at 31);
4 • Based on the facts set forth in Task Force Officers Huber's affidavit, there is
5 probable cause to believe that the Subject Property is subject to forfeiture in
6 this case; and
7 • To ensure that the Subject Property remains available for forfeiture, its
8 continued restraint, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(e)(1), is appropriate.

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10 NOW, THEREFORE, THE COURT ORDERS:

11 1. The United States' request for a protective order restraining the Subject
12 Property pending the conclusion of this case is GRANTED; and
13 2. The Subject Property shall remain in the custody of the United States, to
14 include its federal agencies and/or their authorized agents or representatives, pending the
15 conclusion of criminal forfeiture proceedings and/or further order of this Court.

16 IT IS SO ORDERED.

17 DATED this 14th day of December, 2018.

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The Honorable Richard A. Jones
United States District Judge